

Growth

Prison population growth filled tents, cots and county jail beds during Fiscal Year 2005.

<u>Incarcerated</u>	<u>Supervised</u>
+214	+967 supervised offenders
6,526* inmates	10,922* probationers and parolees
6,810 inmates	11,369 probationers and parolees
	+214 6,526* inmates

The Department maintained **facilities over 100% of capacity** for a third consecutive year. A federal court ruling ordered beds be removed for the medium security facility in October. The entire system was at 107% of capacity when the Department sent 302 inmates out of state in October 2005.

The Offender Forecast anticipates 1,584 added inmates between FY05-FY09.

* Year end totals: June 30, 2005

Programs

The National Institute of Corrections has recognized Idaho as a national leader in implementing research-based correctional programs.

Two of Idaho's Therapeutic Communities rank among the highest in the nation. These intensive treatment programs continue to reduce recidivism. Therapeutic community graduates in Idaho have a recidivism rate that is 22% lower that non-graduates.

More treatment options are still needed for the growing inmate population. Currently, there are five identified treatment needs for every two treatment slots available.

A record number of Idaho inmates, **569 of-fenders**, received GED's during Fiscal Year 2005.

Correctional Officers

Correctional Officers are the backbone of Idaho's prisons. The duties and scope of the job has changed significantly in the past few years.

Officers still provide traditional security such as cell searches, pat searches and inmate counts, but they help reduce the offenders' risk. Idaho is a leader in requiring correctional staff to act as role models to enhance inmates pro-social skills.

Idaho correctional staff manage the most difficult inmates in Idaho, yet lag in salaries. Correctional officers are 33% below the market rate for similar detention/law enforcement positions in Idaho. The turn-over rate for correctional officers was 23.7% in Fiscal Year 2005.